Development of heritage tourism

2706. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether both Rajasthan and Maharashtra States propose to develop heritage structures to promote tourism in their respective regions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some other States are also looking at developing heritage tourism;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what is the action plan of the Centre to help these States to fall in line with Rajasthan and Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (d) Development of Tourism including the heritage structures in Rajathan, Maharashtra and other States/UTs is primarily the responsibility of the State/UT Governments concerned.

(e) The Ministry of Tourism extends central financial assistance to the States/UT Governments for implementation of tourism projects including development of heritage structures, which are prioritized in consultation with them, subject to *inter-se*-priority and availability of funds.

Development on new tourist spots in Andhra Pradesh

2707. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for developing new sites as tourist spots under various schemes during the last three years;

(b) the details of each such proposal;

(c) the projects sanctioned by the Ministry for developing tourism in the State during the above said period; and

(d) the reasons for delay in sanctioning the remaining proposals?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (c) Ministry of Tourism provides funds on the basis of projects prioritized every year

in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territories. From the 10th Five Year Plan, Ministry of Tourism has been providing funds for the following schemes:

(i) Tourist Circuits

(ii) Product Infrastructure & Destination Development

(iii) Large Revenue Generating projects

(iv) Fairs amd Festivals including Events

Prioritized circuits/destination project proposals that are received complete in all respect, are examined as per guidelines on *inter-se*-priority basis and funds released, subject to availability under the respective heads.

The list of projects sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism during the last three years for development of tourism for the State of Andhra Pradesh is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

List of Projects Sanctioned During 10th Plan for Andhra Pradesh

Year of Sanction:- 2003-04 (Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Development of CDS on Tourist Destination	24.00
2.	Rural Tourism at Konaseema Village, East Godavari District	50.00
3.	Development of Nagar Junasagar under Buddhist	500.00
4.	Development of VISTA Software for online Software	22.50
5.	Integrated Development of Amravati under Buddhist Circuit	300.00
6.	Development of Pochampalli, Nalgonda district as a Rural Tourism Destination	50.00
	TOTAL	946.50
Year of Sanction:- 2004-05		
1.	Development of Bhadrachalam as Tourist Destination, Khammam	434.50
2.	Celebration of Kuchipudi Festival	3.92
3.	Celebration of Lumbini Festival	5.00
4.	Introduction of Southern India Tourist Train in Andhra Pradesh, LRG Project, Feasibility Report	15.00

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
5.	Sea Cruise between Visakha - Patnam Port Blair-Chennai under LRG-Preparation of Feasibility Report	15.00
6.	Taramati Baradari Cultural Complex in AP under LRG preparation of Feasibility Report	5.00
7.	Development of Village Shrikalahasti, Dist. Chittor, AP Under Rural Tourism	50.00
8.	Integrated Development of Kurnool Tourism Circuit	800.00
9.	Integrated Development of Tourism Circuit, Hyderabad-Nalgonda-Khammam	797.47
10.	Destination Development of Bhavani Island, Krishna Distt.,AP Development of Bhawani Island, Vijayawada	500.00
11.	Setting of Taramati Baradari Cultural Complex	62.50
12.	Development of Puttaparthi, Ananthpur Distt. as a Rural Tourism Destination	49.50
13.	Development of Chinchinada, East Godawari Distt. As a Rural Tourism Destination	50.00
14.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous project at village Pochampalli, Nalgonda district	20.00
15.	GOI-UNDEP Endogenous project at village Srikalahasti, distt, Chittoor	20.00
	TOTAL	2827.89
Year of sanction:- 2005-06		
1.	Destination Development of Singur Dam, Andhra Pradesh	433.96
2.	Destination Development of Night Bazaar, Shilparamam, Hyderabad	500.00
3.	Integrated Development of Lower Krishan Valley Buddist Circuit	800.00
4.	Integrated Development of Araku-Vizag Tourism Circuit	771.86
5.	Development of Eco-Commerce Portal for IT Scheme	75.00
6.	Celebration of Hyderabad Carnival and Kalinga festival	20.00
7.	Celebration of Konaseema Festival in East Godavari	15.00
	TOTAL	2615.82